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Serial No. <u>10/602,597</u>

In the matter of the Application of: Kazuo OKADA

For: **GAMING APPARATUS**

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- Form PTO 1449 (copy)
- Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181







Docket No.: 239509US-2

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

RE: Application Serial No.: 10/602,597

Applicants: Kazuo OKADA RCE Filed: FEBRUARY 9, 2005

For: GAMING APPARATUS

Group Art Unit: 3711 Examiner: COLLINS, D.

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 FILING RECEIPT DATED JULY 20, 2005 (COPY) INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (COPY) FORM PTO 1449 (COPY)

Our check in the amount of \$0.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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This Petition is in response to the Notice of Allowance mailed January 19, 2006.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS

This Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181 requests that the Information Disclosure

Statement (IDS) filed July 20, 2005, be acknowledged as considered. At this point

Applicants have not received a copy of the form PTO-1449 filed with the above-noted IDS indicating that all of the references submitted therein have been considered.

A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed July 20, 2005, and the datestamped filing receipt indicating its filing, is submitted herein.

Applicants request that the form PTO-1449 with the references cited therein be initialed indicating their consideration and be provided to applicant.

As the above-identified application has already been issued an early action on the present petition is respectfully requested.

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references cited in the attached Submission of Publications and listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
- A check or credit card payment form is attached in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

RELATED CASES

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
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CERTIFICATION

- ☐ Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- ☐ No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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